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Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent

- (1) Notice of Appeal; and
- (2) Petition for Extension of Time (two months).

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Respectfully submitted,

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